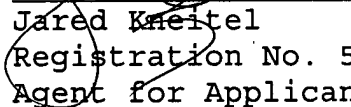


REMARKS

The Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment indicates that the amendment to the specification filed March 8, 2004 is non-compliant because the amendments was included in a transmittal letter.

Applicant submits the above amendment to the specification to comply with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121. The above amendment is an amendment in a filing paper other than a transmittal letter. Applicant therefore respectfully submits that this amendment complies with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121.

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